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Sen. McManus to help build Habitat for Humanity house

LANSING – On Monday, Aug. 28, Sen. Michelle McManus will participate in Lake County's Women Build Habitat for Humanity project.

The Women Build programs are designed to encourage more women to get involved in the construction process and learn new skills. Since more than 60 percent of Habitat houses are built for women homeowners, these projects help them acquire hands-on training and the confidence to maintain their house.

"It is always satisfying to work on a project like this knowing at the end of the day you will have made a family very happy," said McManus, R-Lake Leelanau. "Helping someone out by building them a safe and affordable house is just one small thing we can do for our communities. I encourage all women to get involved in Habitat and help make a difference while learning life skills."

Lake County Habitat for Humanity was established in 1983 to provide assistance to residents who live in Michigan's poorest county. With few apartments and homes available at low or subsidized rates, it is common to see residents living in travel trailers or tents. Habitat helps those living near or below the poverty line to acquire decent, affordable housing and become successful homeowners. All families who partner with Habitat must attend classes and provide labor during the build.

For more information or to join in the build, please contact Sen. McManus' office at 517-373-1725.